Implementing Agency	Approved cost	Expenditure as on 30-8-1880	Physical progress as on 30-6-1989
			(c) Target relocation for 1800 tenements, launched 718 tenements and are in progress.
			(d) Transit comes, target 1292 all launched and completed
(III) Urban Renawal	41.00	20.93	(a) Urban Renewal Schem Target 5079 tenaments, launched 3785, completed 1965.
			(b) Transit Cases, Target 2386, launched 2386, completed 792.
TOTAL	100.00	48.93	

Development of Railway Projects in Maharashtra

28. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the task of building up the infrastructure for development of the backward regions of Konkan, Marathwada and Vidarbha in Maharashtra is adversely affected because of inadequate financial resources allotted for the railway projects in these backward regions; and

(b) if so, what concrete steps are being taken to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Allotment of funds for various railway projects is made keeping in view the national priorities, within the overall availability of resources approved by the Planning Commission.

Housing Schemes in Maharashtra

29. DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schemes approved and financed by HUDCO for construction of houses in Maharashtra during the last three years; and

(b) the progress achieved so far in implementing these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) The year-wise details of housing Schemes sanctioned by HUDCO for the State of Maharashtra during the last three years are given below:-

Year	No. of Schemes Sanctioned	No. of dwelling units covered
1986-87	45	21242
1987-88	81	29701
1988-89	78	23528
TOTAL	204	74471

(b) As per the information furnished by the implementing agencies to HUDCO, 32320 dwelling units have been completed and construction of 14475 units are in progress.

Changes in Agricultural costs and Prices Commission

30. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to change the nature of the Agricultural Costs and Prices Commission in order to make it more effective;

(b) what are the reasons therefor and by when Government are likely to implement its promises to give remunerative prices for farm produce; and

(c) what criteria will be taken into account to calculate remunerative prices of farm produce?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) to (c) The matter is under consideration.

Setting up of an expert Group on Agricultural Sector

31. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up an expert group to go into the specific problems of the agricultural sector;

(b) if so, by when;

(c) whether Government also propose to give the status of industry to agriculture; and

(d) if so, by when?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) and (b) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

(c) and (d) There is no proposal under consideration at present. However, Government propose to accord the highest priority to Agriculture Sector in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

Revision of Housing Policy

32. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to suitably revise the housing policy to lay greater emphasis on tackling the problems of the slum-dwellers; and

(b) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) The ongoing housing policy at the Central and State level envisages the following measures for tackling the problems of slum dwellers:—

1. Environmental improvement of slum in all urban areas;

2. conferring security of tenure on slum dwellers wherever possible;

3. providing access to institutional finance for the upgradation of dwelling units or for rehousing;

4. integrated provision of basic services with community particpation;

5. promoting activities to enhance incomes of slums dwellers.

These programmes will be further strengthened with the cooperation of State Governments.

किसान घाट का विकास किया जाना

33. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय:** क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) भारत के भूतपूर्व प्रधान मंत्री और स्वतंत्रता सेनानी स्वर्गीय चौधरी